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Field Crops Report

As of April 4, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 41 percent not being harvested, 1 percent light, 29 percent moderate and 29 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 1 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 42 percent good and 35 percent excellent. Sheep continue to graze on alfalfa fields for winter pasture.

Cotton was reported as 7 percent being planted.

Small Grains emergence is complete, while heading is just getting underway. There was 24 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 23 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 43 percent of **Barley**, and 53 percent of **Other Small Grains** reported as headed.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 28 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 26 percent good and 5 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair to good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as short to adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

Herbs, Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, head lettuce, mixed greens, parsley, romaine lettuce and spinach. Western Arizona producers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, head lettuce, leaf lettuce, mixed greens, parsley, romaine lettuce, spinach and spring mix last week.

Citrus producers harvested grapefruit, lemons, minneolas, navels, fairchilds and tangerines in central and western Arizona last week.

Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were above normal for the week ending April 3. Temperatures ranged from 8 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon to 2 degrees above normal at Flagstaff. The highest temperature of the week was 100 degrees at Parker, while the lowest reading was normal at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at all of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.24 inches at Yuma to 1.29 inches at Payson.

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Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
FOR THE WEEK MARCH 28 TO APRIL 3, 2004**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	48	5	80	23	0.26	1.98	2.24
Casa Grande	64	5	97	49	0.65	3.15	2.62
Coolidge	63	6	97	48	0.62	3.71	3.13
Douglas	57	3	82	41	0.33	2.77	1.88
Flagstaff	39	2	67	0	0.95	3.52	7.57
Gila Bend	67	4	99	51	1.10	2.85	2.27
Grand Canyon	40	8	72	23	1.21	4.57	5.35
Kingman	54	6	87	41	1.26	2.32	3.72
Parker	67	6	100	54	0.63	1.48	2.26
Payson	49	5	78	36	1.29	4.43	7.56
Phoenix	67	6	97	54	0.84	3.96	2.73
Prescott Airport	47	6	78	31	0.82	2.69	3.73
Safford Ag Center	57	6	86	40	0.46	3.53	2.16
Tucson	62	5	90	46	1.28	3.39	2.74
Willcox	55	4	82	38	0.99	3.88	2.77
Winslow	49	3	79	24	0.39	0.99	1.63
Yuma	69	4	96	54	0.24	1.16	0.93

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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